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northerly winds.

## GUANAMARO WAS CAPTURED

Garcia Confirms the Report of  
the Cuban Victory.

### FIGHT LASTED TWELVE DAYS

Prisoners Were Sent to Work on  
the Plantations—Correspondent  
Credited to Be Told by Con-  
fidential Weyler Has Again Got  
Away From Telegraph Line.

New York, Nov. 30.—The first definite news in the shape of details regarding the capture of the town of Guanamaro, in the district of Camaguey, Cuba, by the patriots, arrived in this city today in the form of a personal letter from Gen. Calixto Garcia to the junta in New Street. It was dictated to one of his adjutants, who brought it to this city.

The report of the siege and capture, which was called here some time ago, has been denied by the Spanish authorities, but the Cuban leaders in this city declare that Gen. Garcia's letter leaves no doubt now that the report was correct.

It states that the siege of the garrison of 200 men in the town of Guanamaro, which was held by the Spaniards, lasted twelve days. When the officers surrendered the Cubans took as prisoners all the men in charge of the town, which included the captain, two lieutenants, two sub-lieutenants, eight sergeants, one surgeon, and sixteen corporals.

### LOTS OF PLUNDER

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Key West, Fla., Nov. 30.—Private letters received in this city Saturday night state that young Calixto Garcia, an American citizen and a correspondent for the Key West Herald, who has been confined in prison in Matanzas for several months, will be tried by court martial.

His case is similar to that of Oria Milton, languished in the Canabans for the past nine months. Both cases have been reported to the State Department, but hardly any attention has been given to them.

It is reported that young Milton is back in the Canabans just convalescing from a case of yellow fever and is in a very delicate state.

Jacksville, Fla., Nov. 30.—Col. Emilio Nunez, the Cuban patriot, who has been in this city for some time, is expected to leave for the United States court next Monday to answer to the charge of aiding in setting on foot the expedition against Spain which has been taken out by the Spanish Government.

Col. Nunez had a hearing in the case last September and the evidence was taken. It is reported that he was arrested in the high seas, but as he was arrested in the district term of the United States court.

Since being here last Col. Nunez has been tried in New York for virtually the same case. The trial resulted in the acquittal of the case may be postponed. Since the beginning of the Cuban war, Col. Nunez has been counted from one end of this country to the other by Spanish spies. Now that he is here it is very likely that he will be tried in a day or two.

### WEYLER LOST AGAIN

Havana, Nov. 30.—No news concerning the movements of Capt. Gen. Weyler since that sent in these dispatches yesterday has been received. He was then reported to be marching westward from San Cristobal in search of the rebel forces. No news had been received.

The Spaniards captured a number of cattle and destroyed some ranches. This trial resulted in the acquittal of the case may be postponed. Since the beginning of the Cuban war, Col. Nunez has been counted from one end of this country to the other by Spanish spies. Now that he is here it is very likely that he will be tried in a day or two.

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Chicago, Nov. 30.—Chairman Cragin has called a meeting of the Cuban relief committee of one hundred for next Friday to discuss the advisability and means of floating \$1,000,000 of the Cuban republic bonds in Chicago. If the committee decides favorably, the bonds will be sold in the local market, coming to the city for that purpose.

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Monroe, Nov. 30.—The prosecution in the case of Father Murphy, the accused of defrauding one Franklin, of Toronto, out of \$5,000 for the purpose of building a gold cure institute in Jersey City, N. J., did not put in appearance when the case was called today and another adjournment of a week was made.

### WORTH KNOWING

Today overcoats originally made to order for \$25, at \$10, with guarantee to keep in repair one year free of charge. MISFIT CLOTHING PARLORS, 407 Seventh street.

## SONS OF VETERANS IN SESSION

National Encampment Elects Officers for the Ensuing Year.

Newark, N. J., Nov. 30.—At the annual encampment of the Sons of Veterans, National Department, held here this afternoon the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Commander-in-chief, Elmore W. Sanderson, Newark; senior vice-commander, David Horne, Long Island City; junior vice-commander, Frederick G. Wood, Montclair; captain-in-chief, William Seeger, Caldwell, N. J.; surgeon general, Charles Esie, Long Island City.

### NEW SCHEME FOR BEER TAX

Project Afloat to Make It the Basis of Alcohol Contained.

Bill Is Said to Be in Preparation to Carry Out the Idea, Which Has Many Friends.

In case the Dingley bill is not immediately taken up and passed by the Senate a revenue measure of unique character will, it is said, be proposed for the consideration of Congress.

It is a matter of general knowledge that the tax upon distilled liquors is collected upon the basis of the percentage of alcohol contained therein. It is also generally known that the malt liquor tax is levied by the barrel or package, irrespective of the amount of alcohol contained in the beverage. The distilled liquor tax is now \$1.10 per proof gallon, while the tax on beer and ales is at the rate \$1 per barrel.

While it is a fact that beer and ales are very much lower in alcoholic value than whiskies and brandies, it is also true that the amount of alcohol carried by the former is out of all proportion to the tax collected thereon.

Beer is supposed to carry about six per cent of pure spirit, but the percentage often, in fact, usually, runs as high as nine or ten. It can readily be seen that the dollar-a-barrel rate on beer containing even six per cent of alcohol is not in proportion to the value of the beverage.

A barrel of beer contains 31 gallons, and a 6 per cent tax would give 1.86 gallons of pure alcohol, which would, under a system of levying the tax upon the alcohol, yield a general rule, yield a tax of \$2.04 per barrel instead of \$1 as at present.

If any change is made in the law it is believed by those who have made a careful study of the question that the change should be along the line of reformation of the law in conformity with the general principle that underlie all taxation—that it should bear, with exactly equal force, upon all taxable things in proportion to the interest involved.

### MR. CANNON ARRIVES

He Is the Artillery Van of the Congressional Hosts.

One of the most important of the members of Congress arrived in town last night encircled with a halo of Jeffersonian simplicity. He was accompanied by his hotel by a single carpetbag, which had in it, however, more matters of money than the Russian war chest in flammable oil.

It was the Hon. J. Cannon, literally and figuratively one of the thirteen great guns of the House. He got out of the underground trolley cars as he was passing the corner of E and Fifteenth streets at full speed, a foot or two from the curb, and stepped lightly upon the steps of the Storer, and in a few minutes he was at home.

He was soon found out and was naturally in great demand. He begged to be excused, however, largely on the ground that he might have a great deal to say this afternoon after he had picked up the thread of affairs in the committee room, where Clerk James C. Connelley will have a special session this morning.

Mr. Cannon, notwithstanding the siege of Illinois, is in splendid shape and in a most cheerful mood. He said that since last July he has done little else than take part in the great conflict which came his way as President.

He would not risk opinions on any of the great questions on which many of his fellow countrymen have been in print. He said that he had been in the committee room, where Clerk James C. Connelley will have a special session this morning.

It was inferred, however, that he would not be averse to giving the District of Columbia unlimited credit if it needed any. This inference resulted in the same liberal consideration which it has met with from Mr. Cannon.

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### RATE REMAINS THE SAME

Coal Operators Will Not Raise Wages Until Next Year.

Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 30.—A committee of coal operators and miners met here today for the purpose of discussing the price of mining from now until January 1. The miners wanted the price advanced from 54 to 60 cents a ton.

Nevertheless the operators stated they would be glad to grant the advance, but they had made contracts to furnish coal until January 1 on the former basis. As the operators would not raise the price, the miners decided to work at that price until the end of the year.

Joint convention of operators and miners will be held December 8, to decide on next year's wage scale.

### Death Due to Accident

Winchester, N. C., Nov. 30.—Mr. Charles Bonham, an old time farmer living near this city, mysteriously disappeared while in town last Friday, and foul play was suspected. Sunday his body was found in the case of the American Oak Leather Company against the C. H. Fargo Company, declaring the transactions by which the bankrupt had been made the United States Rubber Company and the Metropolitan National Bank of this city precluded creditors, were fraudulent.

As a result the assets, amounting to \$300,000, will be equitably divided among the creditors, many of whom are Eastern concerns.

## A STRONG INTERFERENCE.

Will Ask for Habeas Corpus to Test the Law.

Will Give Himself Up TODAY

Then He Will Demand the Writ in Order to Secure an Opinion on the Constitutionality of the Law Which Convicted Him—If That Fails It Is Jail.

Washington, Nov. 30.—Election R. Chapman, whose action for contempt of the United States Senate was today affirmed by the Supreme Court of the United States, said today when shown a dispatch of the United Associated Press announcing the fact:

"As soon as the judgment is transmitted to the court of appeals of the District of Columbia I shall deliver myself up voluntarily."

He said that he would go to Washington tomorrow. Being in arrest, I shall apply to the Supreme Court of the United States for a writ of habeas corpus to pass on the constitutionality of the law under which I was tried and convicted.

His next step.

"Any judge of the supreme court can issue the writ. If the writ is granted the question of the constitutionality of the law will be decided in a week."

"I am under \$5,000 bail and under sentence to thirty days in jail. I shall be obliged to go to jail if I cannot get the writ of habeas corpus, or if after getting the writ, the decision on it is against me."

Others indicated for the same offense as Mr. Chapman are John W. McCarty, of Oregon, and McGowan, of Washington. E. J. Edwards, Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Press; John S. Shriver, Washington correspondent of the New York Mail and Express; and John E. Seaboard, treasurer of the American Refracting Company (sugar trust). All these persons are entitled to a separate trial, but if Mr. Chapman is compelled to go to jail it is presumed they will be also.

### SCHOONER WASHED ASHORE

Crew Taken Off With the Breaches Buoy.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 30.—The schooner City of Philadelphia, Captain Dodd, which left Charleston on the 21st with a cargo of phosphate, bound for Philadelphia, stranded Sunday night about 8:45 about 200 yards north of Little Island life-saving station and was wrecked on the shore.

The crew were taken off safely with the breaches buoy.

The Merritt Wrecking Company's steamer J. L. Jones went to the vessel, but on account of the heavy sea was not able to assist her and returned this morning. An attempt will be made to get her off as soon as the weather permits.

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## CAUGHT RED-HANDED.

Burglar Arthur Washington Was Getting Out of a Window.

Washington, Nov. 30.—Twenty and sixteen, respectively, are locked up at the Ninth precinct charged with entering and robbing the grocery and provision store of Matou C. Grady, No. 1510 Seventh street, north of the city.

Washington was caught red-handed. A citizen who happened to be passing saw the youth making an exit through a rear window of the store. Policeman Cochran and both gave chase. The pursuit was continued through numberless side streets, alleys and back yards, the number of pursuers gradually increasing until half a dozen officers and twice as many citizens had joined the chase.

Washington was finally run down on New Jersey avenue near K street. A visit to his room, on what is known as Madison street alley, proved that he had made several successful trips to the store. The floor was covered with canned goods, meats, and a miscellaneous and tempting array of groceries.

At the home the policeman ran across Moore, who failed to give a satisfactory account of himself, and he was arrested as an accomplice.

### LODGE AGAIN VISITS CANTON

Prophets Think He Would Accept a Cabinet Portfolio.

WANT AN EXTRA SESSION

Particularly Anxious That One Be Called—Gen. Porter Among McKinley's Visitors—No Positive Arrangements Yet Made as to Chief Magistracy of Inaugural Parade.

Canton, Ohio, Nov. 30.—Major McKinley had a busy time with his Congressional colleagues today, and it was 5 o'clock this evening before he had a minute he could call his own.

Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, of Massachusetts, came on from Washington to discuss the possibilities of legislative action at the approaching session. Senator Lodge represents the freed contingent in New England politics more thoroughly than anyone else, and the fact that he made the second trip from Washington to Canton to do what Mr. Reed recently neglected to do, is regarded by many as an indication that he would accept what Mr. Reed's friends declare he would not, namely, a position in the presidential household.

He was escorted for some time with Major McKinley, but the object of his visit, if it had a more specific one than to satisfy his curiosity, was not disclosed. The administration, was not manifested.

### LOST BOTH LEGS

James Moyett Probably Fatally Injured by a Train.

James Moyett, a truckman employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad, was taken to Providence Hospital last night. The loss of both legs was reported. The physicians found it necessary to amputate and an operation was performed. The loss of both legs was reported.

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### DEMYT CHARGES

Owners of Three Friends Say Is Not a Friend.

Jacksonville, Fla., Nov. 30.—A. W. Cockrell & Son, attorneys for the owners of the Three Friends, this morning filed with the clerk of the United States court a petition for the return of the ship. The ship was seized by the United States marshal, and the owners are claiming that the ship was not a friend.

As to his own ambitions in this direction Gen. Porter said that his visit had no significance in that direction, as he had called upon a friend of many years standing to pay his personal respects.

### FOUND ON A DOORSTEP

Tiny Babe Smuggled in Blankets Was Policeman Ellsworth's Find.

A plaintive little wail attracted the attention of Policeman Ellsworth of the Federal marshal, who was on duty at the time. He found a tiny babe on a doorstep, wrapped in blankets. The babe was found on a doorstep.

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## ROBBED IN A STREET CAR.

Chicago Commission Merchant Loses Wallet Containing \$3,000.

Chicago, Nov. 30.—Peter Brosseau, a commission merchant at 150 Exchange building, Union Stock Yards, was robbed of \$3,000 on a Halstead street car this morning.

Charles Mathewsek, who stole the wallet containing the money, was arrested after a severe struggle and was locked up at the Thirty-fifth street station, but two companions, who aided him, snatched the pocketbook while Mathewsek was struggling with his captors, jumped from the car and escaped.

### DEATH OF HON. JOHN SCOTT

Was at One Time United States Senator From Pennsylvania.

Position in the Cabinet Was Offered Him by President Grant, But He Declined It.

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 30.—Hon. John Scott, United States Senator from Pennsylvania, and formerly general collector of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, died last night at his residence in this city after a brief illness. He was seventy-four years of age.

Mr. Scott was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, and had little to do with him in winning the distinction he attained as a politician and a lawyer, his educational advantages being confined to the primitive district schools of his native place.

He studied law at Chambersburg (who was also the legal preceptor of Senator Hendricks of Indiana) and after his admission to the bar he located in Huntingdon. He was devoted to the law and at an early age took a high rank among the more prominent legal minds of the interior of the State.

Mr. Scott was originally a Democrat and the implacable foe of Mr. Buchanan in the latter's presidential aspirations. In 1856 he gave reluctant support to Buchanan, but eventually resided his Kansas policy. In 1860 he was the Democratic candidate for State senator in the hopeless Huntingdon district, but in 1861 both parties voluntarily presented him for the legislature, and he was unanimously elected.

In the legislature he uniformly acted with the Republicans and became one of the most ardent and effective Republican campaigners in Pennsylvania. In 1862 he was tendered the Republican nomination for Congress, but declined it. In 1863 Mr. Scott was elected United States Senator to succeed Charles R. Buckalew. He served one full term, retiring from the Senate in 1875.

In 1857 Mr. Scott entered the Pennsylvania Railroad Company's service as special counsel for the district comprising Schuylkill, Berks and Huntingdon counties, taking charge also of the question arising out of the transfer of the canals and railroads of the State to the company. In this capacity he was for many years the legal adviser to Col. Thomas A. Scott, then president of the company.

At the expiration of his Senatorial term President Grant tendered him the post of Secretary of the Interior in his Cabinet. Mr. Scott, however, declined the offer, and he was succeeded by Mr. B. F. Johnston.

He was afterward he was made the general solicitor of the company and its allied lines and remained in that position until his resignation in February, 1895.

### RUSSELL FAVORS PRITCHARD

Governor-Elect of North Carolina Talks of Senatorial Situation.

Winston, N. C., Nov. 30.—Gov. Elihu L. Russell, in an interview, says he favors the re-election of J. C. Pritchard to the United States Senate. He claims that Pritchard is a man of high character and ability, and that he would be a valuable asset to the Senate.

He gives Pritchard a severe rap on the back for his loss in the last campaign for Governor. The Governor says he will use all his influence to secure Pritchard's re-election to the Senate.

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## TRAINS BLOCKED BY SNOW

Much Suffering Caused by Blizzard in the West.

### GREAT LOSS OF LIFE FEARED

In Some Places Snow Has Drifted to a Height of Fifty Feet—Coal Famine Threatened in Number of Places—Rivers Out of Their Banks.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 30.—Reports of damage done by blizzards in the West are beginning to come in, showing that the damage is greater than at first supposed. The railroads are still badly handicapped but hope to be running by Wednesday.

The body of Thomas Anderson, who perished in the storm near Moorhead, was found this morning near the home of the young lady whom he had escorted home through the blizzard.

The thermometer registered five below zero in this city at midnight.

With two rotary engines working out of Fargo on the Northern Pacific since Saturday morning, a train snowed in five miles east of Valley City, was held at 10 o'clock this morning. Only half a mile was cleared yesterday by the rotary. The drifts in cuts are six to fourteen feet deep and are frozen like ice mixed with sand. Dynamite is used to loosen